Official Shortcomings

We wish to direct the attention of our readers to the article from the Raleigh Sentinel in regard to Judge Watts and the Habeas Corpus. Was a people ever cursed by such corrupt and worthless officials as are North Carclinians? Did ever unscrupulous men use power more un scrupulously? When will it end?

Crops in the East.

A friend writing to us from Pantego Beaufort county, under date of the 31s July, says: "Some two weeks ago corn and cotton suffered for want of rain, since then we have had good rains, and the crops are looking really magnificent. With no disaster from now, there will be an abundance of corn and cotton raised in Beaufort

Election Day.

We are certain that the quiet and orderly conduct of our colored citizens during the excitement of the election held yesterday is the cause of much congratulation upon the part of the white people. How much interest has been felt in the result we know from the warm canvass that has been had. If the two wings of the Radical party in this county have the least regard for each other, politically or personally, they certainly have not exhibited it either in the speeches of their orators, or the mottoes or caricatures of their transparencies, or the open expressions of their private conversations. If the Radical officials of this county are not rogues and seoundrels it is from no want of denunciations as such by former supporters. Yet, in the midst of all this abuse and feeling, we have witnessed processions march and counter march through our streets, interfering with the meetings and proceedings of the opposing faction, without collision and without namecessary molestation. And we desire here to record our high appreciation of the conduct of the Price party on Wednesday evening, when their meeting was unnecessarily interfered with by the supporters of French. It was proof that those who controlled that wing of the were well-disposed, law-abiding The advice given to his ad herents by Price was decorous and manly. for him the sympathy of hundreds of the best citizens of Wilmington. Euch conduct, under such circumstances, remembered to his credit long after the excitement of the present canvass has been forgotten, and both the candi-

of the good conduct of our colored people. Surely in former elections they were disposed to be riotous even to violence. Our white citizens found it necessary to provide for the protection of their rights and their lives. We are glad to say that ample preparation was all that was required. Since then, with each succeeding election, there can be no cause for complaint. We have yet to hear of the first unusual violation of the peace on election day in our city. We read of election riots in New York, in Philadelphia, in Louisville, in Charleston, in Savannah, and in many othor less important places throughout the country, but with us it has been different. This change, for change there has been, results from some well established cause, and we are satisfied that it is in consequence of the loss of influence over the colored people by the miserable carpetbaggers, who formerly held them in more abject bondage than ever their masters exercised over them while slaves. The negroes of New Hanover, to-day, have little or no confidence in such men as Abbott, French, Estes and Rutherford. Even those who followed them in this election were rather controlled by strict party discipline, and a preference for a black candidate than from any regard for the opinions of their white associates.

dates have sunk into merited oblivion.

It might be well to inquire into the cause

Indeed, whatever may have been the result of the election on yesterday, the doom of the carpet-bagger has gone forth. When French & Co. gave up the nomination of our people. And, too, there is no neces Rutherford they awkwardly acknowledged the end of their reign. We are satisfied that Estes would not have resigned but for the expectation that Rutherford was to succeed him. And although the Price faction was committed to the nomination of an unpopular and unworthy man, yet French & Co. dare not nominate the most popular, if not the most worthy, carpetbagger in the county. In giving up the point the brotherhood of carpet-baggers signed their political death warrant. It is a "consummation most devoutly to be field of the late struggle in New Hanover bility of corruption."

We believe the honorable course pursued by our citizens has done much to encourage a return upon the part of the blacks. We have yet to learn of the first gentleman in this community who has made the least concession to the overbearing spirit of party which has controlled the State, county and city. A few creatures, indeed, have bent their necks to the political storm, but they yet wallow in the filth and mire into which they plunged for selfish purposes. If the whites have exercised but little political control over the blacks, they have not lost their respect and confidence, and, to-day, the benefit of this influence is felt in the marked good conduct of these people. It will increase, and honor and principle will yet accomplish what policy and cowardice would have failed to do.

Virginia Politics and Politics Generally

The exact position of politics in Virginia defeat, are unwilling to claim a victory. They cannot bring themselves to the fact that their party has lost the control of the State, or that some reconciliation between the opposing wings cannot be made, and a their favor by the imposition of the testoath upon the members of the Legislature, ducted the canvass,

with as much vehemence as they disclaim comes a Radical defeat, but not otherwise. their State would not be admitted to the such a race with Rutherford, French, Abelection was an empty form, and they had no option in the matter. Under this con- and black will be the gainers thereby. dition of affairs they wisely determined to

and with success. This course no more commits the Conservative party of Virginia to the Republicans than it does ex-President Johnson in his present support of Governor Senter: in Tonnessee, or it did us in voting for Mr. CHADBOURN for Mayor, or Messrs. KIDDER, RICE and others for Aldermen of our city by considerations of policy in regard to the

at the last municipal election. It is doubtless true that there is no Democratic party as it existed before the war. in Virginia or in any other Southern State. A life-long Democrat ourselves, since we voted for Gov. ELLIS in 1860, we have supported no man for Governor of the State who was formerly a member of the Democratic party. And yet we voted for Governors VANCE and WORLT, and Colonel Ashe with as much pleasure, and contrib- ion the control of their votes by strangers uted our efforts for their success with as would be temporary, and that they would ty was thus fixed the sun began to emerge much enthusiasm, as we did for Governors eventually array themselves upon the side Bragg and ELLIS. If there was at the time of their former masters and friends. Conof their election, or if there is now any sequently we could not have been infludifference of opinion in regard to our pre- enced in our opposition by what we be-Governors VANCE and WORTH and ourselves, or those who formerly acted with have frequently told the colored people and rays shot forth beautiful and in the us, we have been unable to discover it.

The mistake some of our people make is that they do not appreciate the fact that old party issues and names in the South ceased with the war. We heard nothclose we found but one national party in depended upon as mere party tools. existence with which we could unite, and

crats of those two great States, and will other rights which will be legally conferred success with great interest and rejoicing. our prediction.

In this feeling of unity and interest men not interfere. There is a strength more Gazette and moral force in our union which will yet achieve success, as it now commands respect. There is the same necessity now as formerly for a close alliance between sity at the present time of raising new and exciting political issues. We only ask that article, evidently written under the inspiration of these subjects shall not be pressed just yet, but let us leave it to time and circumstances to settle. Our people will only be the better off for the delay, and will be in better condition to meet the issues when

The County Election.

Now that the excitement of the convass and the smoke of the battle has passed away, it is an easy matter to survey the county between rival wings of the Repub-

The appearance and the immediate advantages of victory are with one party, but its substance is with the other. If we understand the real position of affairs it was a struggle between the carpet-baggers on the one side and the more respectable and influential colored citizens on the other .-The former had all the advantages of official influence, patronage, money and whiskey. Still with these powerful aids they were afraid to nominate a carpet-bagger to fill the place of a retiring carpet-bagger, but overcame the just prejudices of the blacks to the future control of strangers. by nominating one of their own color, and one with much local popularity.-However "shrewd" this movement was, it

ity of the carpet-bagger. The other party undoubtedly had the sympathy of the whites, as it was led by colored men of character and position, and is troubling the politicians and press of under other circumstances would have rethe North no little. The Radical party, ceived a very general support from our while positively refusing to acknowledge a people. It is but just to them to say their candidate had neither the confidence nor respect of the whites, and no positive popularity with the blacks. Under all the circumstances, with no official patronage to bestow, without means, without an defeat in substance converted into a vic- organ, and with but imperfect organizatory in fact. Yet they are unwilling to tion, the result is highly flattering to the forego the hope that it may be turned in Price-Miller wing of the party, and to the zeal and judgment with which they con-

thereby securing the more substantial ad- There is, beyond doubt, a prejudice Wendesday night last.

vantages of the result. Between these among the more ignorant blacks against THE ECLIPSE. - No sight of more subconflicting alternatives they, deny defeat the whites, and Eagles received many votes limity or grandenr could possibly have on this account without reference to any been imagined than the eclipse presented a victory. If the President sustains Gen- other influence. With a knowledge of this yesterday. Business was for the time suseral CANBY, then the Virginia election be- fact and in view of the result, we are satis- pended and every inhabitant, large and fied that Allen Evans or any other colored small, gazed with silent awe upon this won-It seems to us that this is a question man of character could have defeated derful phenomenon, one of the grandest time. Being a local election, it matters would have been the result if French had pended during the total phase, and the with the examples of Alabama and Missis | doubtedly polled five votes to their one, sippi before their eyes, knew full well that and whenever the carpet-baggers attempt Union under officers elected by them of bott or any of the fraternity, it will be progress through smoked glasses could see

lican party, and vote with those least ob- friends from white and black alike for the from the baneful control of those who now early night, but not quite so great wield its destinies.

Universal Suffrage.

The people of the South opposed negro suffrage upon principle. Even those who were willing to accept it were influenced reconstruction of the Southern States, and not because they believed it for the real welfare of the country. We opposed negro suffrage from no prejudice to them on account of their "color or previous condition," but because we believed then, as we nor the good of the whites that suffrage was to be conferred upon them. Our columns will bear us witness that in our opin- brightin the heavens and the firmament dethe Southern whites would be called upon to defend that right against the Radicals of the North, and that the contest would ing of Demograts or Whigs during the begin so soon as the Radical party diswar. We were all Confederates. At its covered that the blacks could no longer be

We did not expect the inauguration of to our awe stricken gaze. that was the Democratic party of the North. | this movement so early, or from the source This is the sum and substance of party from which it now comes. Even before names and relations at present. Among negro suffrage is a fixed fact—when nearly lost. The earth resumed its wonted apthe Conservative masses in this State and enough States have ratified the Fifteenth pearance, the air again warmed, the pulse of principle. We all have common sympa- the fundamental law-a leading Radical light of day reappeared. Scientific men thies and interests, and it is worse than organ in the confidence and support of the all over the line of country in which the folly for us to attempt to get up a family Administration takes the back track, and eclipse was visible have made extensive quarrel upon names. It would be most announces that universal suffrage is dan- observations, and will publish them for gerons to the welfare of the country, and the benefit of the world. The appearance What Conservative man in the South, demands of Congress to propose another of the moon was no doubt acurately photoby whatever political name he may call amendment, making suffrage impartial in- graphed for preservation. In witnessing for awhile, but subsequent investigations himself, who does not sympathize with, stead of universal. The elections in Vir- this sight our age and generation has and desire the election of, Judge PACKER ginia, as is intimated in the following let- been extremely fortunate. in Pennsylvania and General Rosechanz in ter, and in Tennessee, to say nothing of Ohio? Yet they are Democrats, Does former elections in Georgia, Louisnot nine of every ten men who supported fans, Mississippi and Alabama, have WALKER in Virginia wish for the success opened the eyes of leading Radicals to of these gentlemen? We do not desire the dangers of putting the ballot into the to be understood as claiming that they en- hands of the ignorant masses. We predorse their entire political records or agree dict again, as we did eighteen months altogether with the platforms upon which since, that the blacks will yet look to they have been nominated. But we know Southern whites as their chief supporters that our people sympathize with the Deme to sustain their right of suffrage, and all watch for and receive the news of their upon them by the law of the land. Mark tory :

We make the following extract from the among ourselves, let the press and public Washington correspondence of the Balti-

It has been observed that, since the Virginia election, "universal" suffrage has become surcal party. Yet such is the case. In an elaborate authority, and by another hand than the regular quote verbatim from the Republican of this city: The system of putting the ballot beet into the hands of the ignorant masses—no maker of what origin -- if continued, cannot fail to lead to very tion on the subject is neglected. It is contended by many of the ablest men, and with great force of argument, that the best suffrage qualification would be 'ability to read and write the English language correctly.' With this as the universal qualification test in all Federal and State elections, the ballot-box would be protected against

The brazen impudence of this suggestion (from such a source) cannot be sufficiently admired. Who put the "ballot-box"—(I suppose the author meant the ballot, but his phrase is literally correct) - " into the hands of the ignorant masses?" But let that pass. The remedy preferred as sufficient to correct the cvil is " an act of Congress." But fe ring some little difficulty in that way, a "sixteenth amendment" is proposed as a means of undoing the mischief accomplished by the Reconstruction acts at the South, and threatened by the fifteenth amendment to the North!-

The proposition is as follows: "It is objected that we cannot deprive any portion of our citizens of the right of suffrage already granted to them. There is no ground upon which o base such a conclusion; but if even the argument was sound it would afford no plea against the proposed change in the laws governing the right of suffrage. Suppose Congress, during the next session, enacted a SIXTEENTH amendment to the Constitution, requiring the qualification of ability to read and write the English language correctly,' as the condition of a right of suffrage, to take effect in one, two, or any certain number of years hence that might be agreed upon, and call upon the different States to ratify their act, what State or class of intelligent citizens would object to the proposition?" The measure would was an acknowledgment of the unpopular- be universally popular, as affording a check against that control of the ballot-box by ignorance and corruption now dreaded in the future by your

wisest statesmen. The confession by an organ of the Administration that the fundamental action of the Radical organization, "if continued; cannot fail to lead o very serious, if not disastrous results," is important, and will be hailed as "the ring of true metal." Yet the remedy suggested (beyond ooking to the disfranchisement of some white voters) is a mere "running around Robin Hood's Why not repeal the Reconstruction laws barn." -allow the Southern States to alter their Constitutions, enforced upon them at the point of the bayonet, and reject the Fifteenth amendment?— These measures (if coupled with predent altera-tions of our naturalization laws applicable to the Chinese and other Pagan immigrants) would effectually afford "a check against that control of the ballot-box by ignorance and corruption," which has been mangurated by Radical rascality. and now bitterly complained of by their leading

It is stated that there was a heavy frost at Mount Airy, Wythe county, Virginia. on

which will settle itself in due course of Eagles. But reverse the matter. What on record. The very breath seemed susbut little by what name the party is called nominated his friend and brother carpet. magnificent sight was witnessed with feelupon whose banner victory perched. It bagger, Rutherford, whom he desired to ings impossible to describe. Admiration, can in no wise be called the Republican have elected, and he had been opposed by awe, wonder, cariosity and delight were party. The Conservatives of Virginia, Evans? The Price wing would have un- all singularly blended; and the scene was well calculated to awaken such feelings. At a few minutes past 5 o'clock the eclipse commenced. Those who watched its

their own party, and without accepting the seen that our prediction will be fully veri- the body of the moon gradually shutting Constitution. In other words, that the fied. The influence of the carpet-bagger out the bright circle of the sun and casting is gone in New Hanover, and both white its shadow upon the earth. In about 30 minntes the sun was half-eclipsed, and at a few We see in the result much to encourage minutes past 6 o'clock the eclipse was take advantage of a division in the Republithe, defeated party. They have won total. In the mean time the earth grew dark, and as the light of day became objectionable. The Conservative State Com- dignified, orderly manner in which they scured by this premature darkness, the at mittee withdrew the name of Colonel have conducted the canvass, and our people mosphere grew cool and a chilly feeling WITHERS as a candidate for Governor and recognize among the leaders much of the swept over us. The themometer fell 4 dethe others of the ticket, and supported the intelligence, property and character of the grees, and the wonderful change was everyclaims of Mr. Walken with all the fervor colored people. With energies undaunted where apparent, and even the chickens and enthusiasm with which they had ad- and with determinations unflagging, they began to prepare for sleep and actually vocated the election of Colonel WITHERS, are bound to wrest the city and county went to roost. The darkness was that of actual night lighted by the moon. It seemed a premature and unnatural dark-

> ness and one that could be felt. The total eclipse lasted for the space of three minutes. The sight was one then for the naked eye. The body of the moon fully obscured the sun, and around its edge was a crimson circle from which mellow rays shot forth. Upon the lower edge of the moon appeared a considerable spot or gap, through which a deadened light was seen. In other parts of this planet and within the circle were to be believe now, it was not for their own good seen two or three small spots through which the light penetrated as through a veil. Several stars made their appearance noted night. While the gaze of all humanily, and he seemed rapidly to emerge from the shadow. The dazzling effect was not, welfare of the Conservative party. We surface first seen appeared like liquid fire, commotion, and it was an optical delusion heavenly bodies had come in contact and one was consuming the other. And the sight was grandly sublime and the wonders of the works of God were fully manifested

The passage of the sun from eelipse seemed quite rapid and soon interest was

Virginia Politics.

Who elected WALKER Governor of Virview of the claim of a Republican victory by certain Radical papers in the South. Whatever North Carolina Radicals may think of Wells' defeat, the home papers are not so well satisfied. Here is what the Loudonn Republican, a Radical paper, says in regard to this Virginia Republican vic-

been at least twelve thousand had every one of at the treasury. The entire work of en-

issued, our forces were in possession of Ply neighboring country came in, anxious to place themselves under the protection of the United diers went back to their old masters. A very strange question now arises. The citizens of that country want to know when the negroes of North Carolina were made free. If, they argue, they work out their board : if they were not freed til the surrender of Lee, then a sale in the interim is valid, and the amount may be collected; but no claim for services rendered by the negro can be enforced. The Washington correspondent the New York Journal of Commerce states that it is learned the matter has been referred to the Superior Court of North Carolina, and the court dodges the issue. Judge E. W. Jones, of that court, being now at the national capital to have a

The Supreme Court has settled this cerned. In the case of Harrell vs. Watson, Court, it was held that emancipation was effected by the action of the State Convention of 1865, and the subsequent ratifica- ing the contemptuous tone of Gilmer's cipating the slaves. This decision should be a safe precedent for a Judge of an in-ferior Court. Can Judge Jones be court-yet at an end." There is no "hope for was caused, some thinking an earthquake ing the favor and endorsement of Congress and the Administration in a differ-

Fatal Tooth Drawing.

A little girl, eight years old, the daughter of a butcher in Pittsburg, Pa., on Thursday died from lock-jaw, the result, as it is alleged, of an operation which was performed at a dentists's shop. The little girl had an aching tooth, and by the advice of her parents she went to the dentist's office to get it extracted. It is claimed that the operation was performed in such a rough manner that the patient grew ill after it, and that lock jaw set in, from C. Brewitt, of the Yazoo "Banner," and the effects of which she died.

The Texas Floods _An appeal for Aid. The Galveston Chamber of Commerce. n conjunction with other citizens of the State of Texas, have organized a central executive committee, to take measures to secure relief for the sufferers by the late floods in Colorado Valley. Hundreds of persons have lost their entire property by disbanded, and Gen. Cooper will be backthis disaster, and many of them are almost without shelter, and they appeal to their

A live toad was found in a solid lump of coal in Indianapolis, one day last week.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

uban Affairs and the Administration New Issue of Greenbacks_Counterfeits_ Virginia Politics Mississippi Matters. Conspiracy in Tennessee The Grand Army of the Republic, &c., &c.

WASHINGTON CITY, Aug. 4, 1869.

The Washington correspondent of the

New York Herald states in a recent dis-

patch to that paper, that the insurrection in Cuba furnished a long subject for Cabinet discussion, and it was decided to accord belligerent rights very speedily to Caba. The Herald's correspondent has been grievously misinformed. Cuba and its affairs have not furnished a theme for discussion for over a month, and I can inform you, upon the very best of authority. the administration has no idea of according belligerent rights to the insurgents .- ing defeat to the Radicals than was at first Secretary Fish argues in this wise : The anticipated. The people of East Tennespopulation of the Island is over sixteen see would, it was thought, vote against any hundred thousand, black and white, not concession of rights to the men who fought including the Spanish residents. The in- in the Confederate army or sympathized surrection has full control only over a very with that cause. The late conflict in that small portion of the Island, and the entire part of the State had assumed more of the population of the districts where the re- character of a relentless and bloody perbellion exists is only a little over four hun- sonal one than in any other section of the dred thousand, white and black-hence country, and the bitterness there engenonly a fourth of the inhabitants of the dered would last at least this generation. Island desire a separation from Spain ;- These prognostications have been disaphence, again, the insurgent movement has pointed. It was the aim of the Badical not reached any such importance as to party to keep up this bitterness, so therejustify a recognition of belligerents rights by they could preserve power the longer. by the United States. Now, Secretary Fish | That whole communities, when the irritat-(whose views I have correctly, though suc- ing influences are removed, will continue cinctly expressed above) is very much in to exercise the same vindictive feelings error: It does not require any superior they entertained during the war, is an unpenetration to acquire a much more cor- tenable supposition. We had, in South rect idea about the condition of affairs in Carolina, during the Revolution, a bitterer Cuba than he expresses; for of course I do personal conflict between Whigs and Tonot insult his intelligence so far as to sup. ries, stimulated by other causes than hos- air, when two of the parties stopped, the pose he really believes what he expresses, tilities growing out of "rebellion," than man with the gan still running. Pratt and There are about eighteen hundred thou- in the rest of the United Colonies. Upon sand inhabitants in the island. Of these; the success of the patriots some of the less some seven hundred thousand are in the judicious of the triumphant Whigs sought "Eastern Department," where the "rebels" to confiscate the property of the vanquishare entirely triumphant. In seven districts ed Tories. But even in that State the odiof the "Western Department," containing ous "confiscation laws" were indignantly and heart, covering a space larger than the over three hundred thousand inhabitants. rejected, and the reign of good feeling refrom the celipse. 'The first flash of his the "rebels" have complete possession .- stored. So in East Tennessee, and we see was following a few feet behind, and soon bright and golden rays appeared sudden. There are then only about six hundred thousand people whose sympathies are to by the result how uncongenial is Radicalbe accounted for, and some three hundred istic New England ideas to the people of charged the second barrel, wounding him sent duty in political matters between ex- lieved would be the future and permanent immediate, but that portion of the sun's pletely "under the thumb" of the Spaniards. It is very fair to assert that at least one-half of the remainder are in sympathy with the patriots. So, taking out Havana, that we believe if suffrage was conferred heighth of splendor. Seen with the naked where we know the rebel element largely upon them and established by law, that eye this liquid fire, as it were, seemed in predominates, we have here proven that eleven hundred and fifty thousand out of thirteen hundred thousand of the inhabitants are anxions for a separation from partisan course of action. Andrew Johnson. Spain; and four fifths of them, through their representatives, are proving their tion with that office, and whose anxiety by fighting in the open field for that separation. Secretary Fish knows these facts I have stated. They are patent to everybody who reads the papers, and hence his reasoning against recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cabans is simply a silly sophistry. He does not expect to be believed, but Boutwell does not elsewhere in the South, there is no conflict Amendment to make it part and parcel of of nature was renewed and the cheerful and some excase is better than mone,

> have proved my former impressions incorrect. I would recommend newspaper correspondents in the future to take a little more pains "to post" themselves on matters of political import. In consequence of the spurious issues of the ten dollar greenbacks, or legal tender ginia becomes an interesting question in notes, Secretary Boutwell has concluded to have a new issue of all denominations of greenbacks, from the one dollar to one thousand dollar note. The work of engraving the plates for this work is fast progressing at the Treasury Department. The plates for the ones and twos are already finished, and the workmen are now engaged on those from five to one thousand dollar notes. No living man's likeness will be placed on the notes. These will be the first greenbacks ever engraved or printed graving and printing the faces and soals will be performed in the treasury building,

while the backs will be printed in New There will be no regular Cabinet meetings held until about September 1st. Superintendent Clapp of the Govern ment Printing Office, appointed eight apprentices yesterday, two of them are ne groes. Truly the white Radical shares with

his black brethren.

There is quite a stir and a fluttering in he Radical ranks here, owing to the failure of Col. Jenkins, Chairman of the State Central Committee of (Well's) Radicals to bamboozle Mr. Gilmore, Chairman of the Walker) Conservative State Central Committee. Before the election the Conservatives were everything that was wicked and vile. After the election they propose a union of the wings that a few days before were so widely different. The Conservatives "don't see" what advantage is to be gained by dividing the fruits of the lington, where the observation was not total, victory with their late enemies. All the a solemn and awe inspiring sight, and b-h, we've got you now. Stand up like a 'carpet baggers" care for is the spoils, and now, failing to "get their hooks in, are calling the Conservatives copperheads decided during the recent term of the rebeis, &c., without stint, as they did previous to the election, and show an alarming array of figures to prove that the election was carried by fraud. Notwithstandtion by the people of the ordinance eman- crushing reply, these fellows are yet begging and cringing, hoping to pick up a few acres of land one hundred feet deep, at a crumbs. "They hope that negotiations point not far from the Empire House. them, poor tramps, Virginia casts them out." Their occupations gone, where will they go to now? Tennessee, Mississippi and Texas will also repudiate this last infernal invention of Yankee cunning and park near Copenhagen, on the 4th of July, Berry's body was delivered to his wife. rapacity. "The "carpet-bagger," a short to promote the union lived institution, though long enough for Norway and Sweden. mischief. A few short years and he will be heard of no more. A delegation of Democratic editors from

Mississippi called upon Judge Lewis Dent yesterday, to tender him their support in case he should be the nominee of the Conservatives for Governor in that State. I. A. Signaigo, of the Grenada "Sentinel." John Calhonn, of the Canton "Mail," J.

J. W. Booth, of the Wiona "Democrat." Advices from Nashville state that there upon General Cooper, who is in the con- mus. spiracy, for assistance. Horace Maynard, with Boutwell's approval, has, it is said, originated the scheme. The militia are now ed by the Grand Army of the Republic .fellow-citizens of Texas and of the country test Stokes until the meeting of Congress.

the power which they see is slowly but surely slipping from their grasp. The Grand Army of the Republic was organized ed for such a purpose, and so detested is it that even Horace Greeley is forced to cry out against them, foreseeing the dire evils o republican liberty. Horace says to that they are inimical to free linstitutions," and wants them demolished. When the apostle of Radicalism declaims against columns yesterday, occupy considerable

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

Tennessee Election_Radicalism in South... The Senatorship and the Legislature. The Future of Politics Mississippt and Texas The Cabinet off Duty_The Eclipse, &c., &c.

Washington Offy, August 7th, 1869. Dear Journal:-The election in Tennes see resulted in a more complete and crush-

The most marked feature of this election, however, is the triumph of the Conservatives in the Legislature which insures and ran entirely past the villain who was the election to the United States Senate of shooting. Turning into the road and Bailie Peyton, or some other good man. firm in the ancient faith, but wise and prutriumph of the party by an injudicous and who has been spoken of in connec vigorous intellect and stubborn obstinacy of purpose make him a doughty champion. s yet entirely too pugnacions and partisan for the purpose, I think the Democracy should instruct their public men to attain That purpose, of course, is the final demolition of the Radical party now so brilliant ly begun and so favorably progressing. -With the breach between Grant and Boutwell widening so rapidly, whose inevitable result in a short time will be the affiliation of Grant with those of his friends who will unite with the Democracy upon the platform for the extermination of Radicalism it will not be long ere the latter party is thoroughly as dead as its old federal pre decessor. And I would not hazard or desubject was discussed at the last special lay such a devontly to be wished for conmeeting, and I myself was imposed upon summation by the exercise of anything which did not partake of the fullest wis-

> Mississippi and Texas are the two Southorn States to follow suit. The Democracy will assuredly win in them, upon a stronger pronounced Democratic party basis and by larger majorities than in Virginia and Tennessee. We shall soon see the benefits accruing to the country from this change Secretary Robeson and wet-nurse Porter

will emulate the action of their predecessor, and take a trip the first of next week along the line of the Atlantic ports. They will be accompanied by Secretary Cox and General Sherman, and other distinguished officials. The Secretary of the Navy. being connected with marine affairs should consider it a part of his duty to get used to sea-sickness, but the Interior is the place for Cox, and he will regret being seduced from his daties by that insinuating and practical joke maker Admirel Porter. It is, however, high time that the Generals of our army, with the President at their in military order into the court house head, should cease spending so much of yard, and to the jail, when they broke in their official time at these various watering the front door and demanded the keys. moral, and economical members of the and, in the course of an hour and a half press and one not highly creditable to the succeeded in battering down the doors .dignity of the army, that its chief repre- With a lantern they went to where sentatives should spend official hours for Berry was confined, who kicked out their private pleasure while ostensibly en. the lantern, and with a knife in his hand gaged upon public duty. But it is getting made for the door, but, getting fright this busy epoch in their country's history, of Brownly grappled with him, and a desto make their country pay their expenses.

The eclipse to-day was a general subject of discussion, and all day long the smoke stabbing Brownly seven times and wounof "burning glasses" went up to heaven in anticipatory preparations for the grand event. It was indeed, even here in Washscientific love and knowledge cannot man." Berry rose to his feet, and was man somewhat of that gloom that such a over the left eye, going entirely through scene inspires in the broast of his ignorant | his head; another ball going through his

A land-slide at Stockport, Columbia county, New York, carried away, on Monday evening, the 2d instant, about three acres of land one hundred feet deep, at a

to promote the union of Denmark with who took it to Circleville. The last one

The English papers and people complain because the Duke of Edinburg was repaid the value of the presents which he distributed in his colonial voyages to the amount of £3,374 14s. They want to know, also, whether he has made over to the nation the present he received in return for those which he gave and for which the Ministry press an opinion, it has obtained informa has reimbursed him.

The Cabinet of St. Petersburg has decided on sending several engineers on a is a conspiracy on foot to assemble a legis- mission to Suez to report on the commerlature of the Stokes party at Nashville, cial advantages which will be afforded by organize a State Government and call the opening of the canal through the Isth-

Mrs. Hugh McCall, of New Orleans, died suddenly at St. Joseph's Infirmary, Louis- district in Wisconsin the most extensive ville, Ky., from mjuries received on the yards embraced less than eighteen acres, Memphis and Louisville Railroad fast and the average was within five each. Wednesday.

and his crew will halt at nothing to retain a police officer.

The Recent Tragedy in Illinois

A Deputy Sheriff Killed by a Desperado The Murderer's Accomplice Brought to Pekin and Lynched by the Populace. He Makes a Desperate Resistance.

An account of the recent deeds of vio. lence which have occurred at Circleville and Pokin, Ill., briefly referred to in these apostle of Radicalism declaims against space in the Chicago journals of Monday, anything in his own party it must indeed I rom these we gather the main facts which are:

For some time past there has existed at Circleville, Ill., near Pekin, a gang of desparadoes known as the Berry brothers. who, with their accomplices, have kept the country in a perpetual state of terror. One of the gang, William Berry, was arrested a year ago for murdering, in cold blood, a man by the name of Peppers, and was sent to the penitentiary, but had scarcely got inside of its walls before a pardon reached him, which set him at liberty. On Thursday noon, Ike Berry and a stranger were arrested without warrant and brought here on the charge of horse-stealing, but as no one appeared against them they were released on Friday morning, and started at noon for Circle

At 2 o'clock William Berry came to Cir. cleville, where the party had by this time arrived, and told them to stand their ground, as, by G-, he had plenty of revolvers. During the day the desperadoes were parading the streets and threatening every man, woman and child they met. Finally Squire Larrimore was prevailed upon to come to Pekin after authority and help to arrest them. He started back on Friday evening, with Jailer Hinman, Dep uty Sheriff Pratt, a man by the name of Kessler and Constable Copes. After reach ing Circleville they saw, three men pass ing one of them armed with a gun. Some one said, "There they go," and the officers started in pursuit, Pratt calling out to them, "Halt, boys; I want to see you. The three started to run, the officers following on a run. Pratt called again, say ing, "Halt, or we will shoot." They still continued running, Pratt shooting in the Copes following in close pursuit and keeping up a fire.

The man dodged into the corner of the fence, and, as Pratt came up to within 20 feet of him, the man shot at them, wound ing Pratt mortally and barely missing Copes, the shot going through Pratt's lung palm of the hand. Hinman, the jailer, came in range, when the desperado dis in the head and shoulder, but not seriously. Pratt, being on the run at the time he was shot, staggered into the ditch gasping for breath, he said to Copes, " 1 am shot," and in answer to the question, "Are you badly hart?" said : "Yes, I am shot through the heart." By this time Deputy Marshal Kessler had arrived on the spot, caught Pratt in his arms and a sisted him to walk back towards their car riage. He walked about fifty steps and then sank on the ground and never after

When the affair became known in Pekin. terrible excitement prevailed. Ed. Pratt. sheriff, brother of the deceased, and sax others, started to Circleville, arriving at 12 o'clock, and brought back the remains of

Soon after daylight Wm. Berry came to Pekin and was arrested and placed in jail A party of fifty, accompanied by officers went to Circleville and arrested Josiah Coombs, Sam Berry, McFarland, a man known as Daily, and another man named Berry, and brought them to Pekin placed them in jail. John Berry and Marshal Stone, immediately after this, started in pursuit of Ike Berry, was supposed to have shot Pratt. They failed to find him, but found one of the gang, named Frank, and ar rested him. Returning to Pekin about a o'clock a. m., they lodged him in jail. During the day Pekin was the scene of intense excitement. Court street from one end to the other, was crowded. Many of these were from the neighborhood where the Berry's lived, and had been the object of their hatred; many of the friends of the man Peppers, murdered by Wm. Berry last year, and many of them friends of the murdered man Pratt.

Toward evening the crowd had swelled to hundreds. Mayor Edds, fearing an outbreak, provided an extra police to guard the jail; but when the time came for the men to act, they were as chaff before the wind. All night the excitement increased, and culminated about 3 o'clock, in the arrival of from fifty to one hundred desperate men, among them some of the best citizens in the county, who marched Sheriff Pratt refused to give them up, when amous. It is a standing reflection to the they immediately procured a blacksmith. o be the custom of Americans, even at ened, jumped back. A man by the name perate hand to hand fight ensued, until lights were brought. Berry succeeded in ded two others severely; one mortally, it is feared. Drawing back his hand to strike again, he broke his knife. Brownly exclaimed, "There, you G-d d-d son of a shot at five times, one ball striking him arm and grazing his side.

The infuriated mob then dragged the wretch to the nearest tree, placed a rope around his neck and swung him up. He was not cut down till this morning, when an inquest was commenced, but adjourned te Monday.

Officers are in pursuit of Ike Berry, the one who shot Pratt. If he is brought to Pekin the place will be once more under arrested, named Frank, was brought to jail in time to see Berry hung, and was so intimidated by the sight that he begged, pleaded and shook like a dog, and, to save himself, turned State's evidence.

The Hop Crops in the Northwest, The Detroit Press says that from hop growers and persons well qualified to extion that three quarters of the acreage devoted to the production of the article last year have been turned to other purposes or abandoned in Michigan and in Wiscon sin, but in New York the yield is so fair and so free from the usual contingencies of growth that the general market can scarcely be much affected by the deficiency in the quarter named. In the largest hop

J. T. Raffa, a private banker in Penn Col. Fitzpatrick killed his wife in Edge- Yan, N. Y., failed a few days ago, in con I do not know what credence to give to the field, South Carolius, on a Monday and sequence of speculations in Wall street, above but I am not surprised at it. Stokes attended her funeral the succeeding and depositors lose eighty thousand dollars is capable of just such action. Bontwell Wednesday in the company and custody of by him. His liabilities are one hundred and thirty-three thousand dollars,